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	MEMORANDUM FOR:	Director of Reconnaissance, CIA	
25X1A	SUBJECT:	Contingency Planning for OXCART	
	REFERENCE:	Memorandum for the Record, 2534-66, dated 20 May 1966; same subject	
25X1C	1. Attached for your review and comments are four proposed U. S. Government statements to be released in response to queries resulting from an incident or exposure during OXCART deployment and/or operations. These statements would be appropriate only if higher political authorities reject the alternativeapproach which currently enjoys considerable support at the State Department (See Ref.).		
	2. Obviously, it is impossible to predict with any degree of accuracy the exact circumstances which will attend an incident or exposure of OXCART activities. In the event of such a contingency, any preprepared statements will have to be reviewed and refined to accommodate the situation as it exists at that time. The attached statements do, however, represent a proposed basic government position which, if approved in advance, will significantly reduce the confusion and dilemmas which inevitably arise when an incident occurs.		
		cached verbatim statements have not been dis- of OSA pending receipt of your views.	•
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	Attachment: (1) Proposed State		
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